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Labour representation in the Mangalore Port Trust Board.

* 141 *Q.*—Sri K. P. GOPALAN : Will the Hon. the Minister for Public Works be pleased to state—

(*a*) whether it is a fact that the Government propose to nominate a labour representative on the Mangalore Port Trust Board; and

(*b*) if so, the principle followed by the Government in selecting that representative?

The Hon. Raja Sri SHANMUGA RAJESWARA SETHUPATHI :—" (*a*) Yes, Sir, one has already been nominated.

" (*b*) The representative character of the Unions to represent the interests of the port workers was carefully considered by Government."

Sri K. P. GOPALAN :—" Sir, as there is a registered union affiliated to the A.I.T.U.C. and as an overwhelming majority of the port workers are in that union, may I know why Government have not selected a representative from that union? "

The Hon. Raja Sri SHANMUGA RAJESWARA SETHUPATHI :—" Yes, there are three unions and the Collector has recommended one from the Port Workers' Union of Bandar and that has been agreed to by the Labour Commissioner. As such, he has been appointed."

Grant of takkavi loans in Ponneri taluk.

* 142 *Q.*—Sri A. RATNAM : Will the Hon. the Minister for Revenue be pleased to state—

(*a*) the number of applications received during the year 1952 from Ponneri taluk for *takkavi* loans;

(*b*) the number of applications sanctioned; and

(*c*) the amount of loan disbursed during the year?

The Hon. Sri M. A. MANICKAVELU NAICKER :—" (*a*) 1,259.

" (*b*) 510.

" (*c*) Rs. 1,96,700."

Qualifications prescribed for the Social Educational Organizers under the National Extension Service.

* 143 *Q.*—Sri K. P. GOPALAN : Will the Hon. the Minister for Agriculture be pleased to state the minimum educational and other qualifications prescribed for the Social Educational Organizers under the National Extension Service in the Madras State?

The Hon. Sri M. BHAKTAVATSALAM :—" (i) *Educational.*—Must have a Bachelor's Degree of a recognized University with at least some practical experience in social work.